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Lent is a good time to think about the quality of your spiritual life. Do you think about God often ... or rarely? Do you pray often ... or occasionally? How well do you know the Bible? The Commandments? The Beatitudes? The lives of biblical heroes and heroines?

During Lent, commit to spending more time in prayer. Also consider selecting a book of the Bible or a particular Bible character to study in-depth during this period.

Some people give up particular items or habits during Lent. If used wisely, this discipline can help you abandon things that have been interfering with your relationship with God.

Seek out devotions and books that can help strengthen your spiritual life.

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

9:00 a.m. Come AZ U R Service
9:50 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Traditional Service
5:00 p.m. Planet 456
6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Snack Supper
6:30 p.m. Youth

MONDAY, MARCH 2

9-12 noon Methodist Market

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

6:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study/Millie's

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

3-4:15 p.m. Hiskidz Choir
4:30 p.m. Handbell Choir
5:30 p.m. In the Hands of God/Prayer Meeting
6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

9-12 noon Methodist Market

With Sympathy

Sympathy and love is extended to the family of Mrs. Jeanne Santmyer, who died February 24, 2020.

★ EXTRA! EXTRA! ★

Men's News

We had a great turnout for last week's County-Wide Men's Club meeting. Over 40 men from Methodist Churches across Yazoo County attended. FUMC was well represented with 15 members present. Everyone enjoyed Christian fellowship, an excellent meal, and learning more about the different missions of Wesley House.

Special thanks to Tommy and Joe Ed Woodard for preparing venison chili, squirrel and dumplings, and vegetable soup with venison for everyone to enjoy! Thanks also to Reece Vaughan, Brent Chaney, and Hayes Kyle for their help setting up and serving everyone. Our next meeting will be the fall County-Wide on Thursday, August 20. Reminders and additional details will be sent as we get closer to the date. We hope to see you there!



March

Birthdays & Anniversaries

2. Puddin Watson, Lois Russell,
Will Skinner Allen, Hannah
Swoope
3. Alexis Swoope, Libbi Huff
4. Jimmy Whitaker, Andy Bardwell
5. JoAnne Collins, Thomas Hines

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4. Mr. & Mrs. Albert Vandevere
6. Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Woodard



## **Solid Ground**

This month in Sunday school will take us into a new book in our *Fathom* series. This new lesson is “The Passion,” and it will take us through the death and resurrection of Jesus. This month we will begin the Lenten season and prepare for Easter. The first lesson will take us through the arrival of Jesus into Jerusalem the week of Passover.

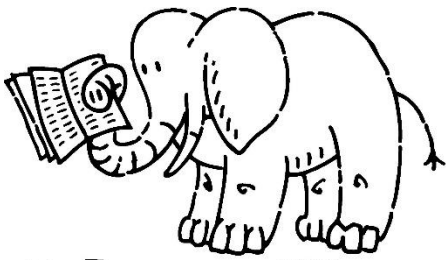
## **Sunday Night Youth**

This Sunday night in youth group, we will be talking about our seventh disciple in our Bible study series, *The Twelve Outlaws*. Matthew is different from the other disciples that we have studied so far. He was despised within his community, yet God still used Him.

## **Wednesday Night Small Group**

Wednesday night small group did not meet last week due to the Ash Wednesday service. We will meet this upcoming Wednesday night and wrap up our study, *What Do You Allow to Define You?* This week we will finish up on the lesson, *Identity and Purpose*. What do we base our identity on? Where does God fit in our lives?

# Children's Page



Memory Verse

"If I, your Lord and teacher, have washed your feet, you too must wash each other's feet."

Matthew 5:1-9



During the month of March, we will be studying lessons about Jesus, which will teach us more about his ministry. This week our lesson is about the Beatitudes. The Beatitudes are instructions on how Jesus says we should live. Jesus often teaches us to live differently than those of the world. It is not always easy, but we need to do our best to follow the things Jesus wants us to do.



This week in Bible study, we will move into lesson 4 in our study, *Defined, Who God Says You Are*. This lesson is "Who We are in Christ." In this lesson, we will learn that God has a plan and a purpose for all of his children.

## **Volunteers serving Sunday, March 1, 2020**

|                          |                                          |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Greeters                 | Tommy & Wanda Woodard/Sam & Sharon Smith |
| Acolytes                 | Maggie Day Ragland/Caroline Swafford     |
| Scripture                | Luke 15:1-10                             |
| Sermon                   | <b>“God’s Lost and Found”</b>            |
| Communion Assts.         | Owen & Mary Lou Richards/Donna Heidel    |
| Sunday Night Supper Moms | Sarah Ragland/Connie Dees                |

## **Attendance, February 23, 2020**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Worship Services | 190 |
| Sunday School    | 95  |

## **Daily Bible Readings**

### **MARCH**

|                                         |                       |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>1. 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent</b> | <b>Matthew 4:1-11</b> |
| 2. Return to the LORD                   | Joel 2:1-2, 12-17     |
| 3. Fasting that pleases God             | Isaiah 58:1-12        |
| 4. That all should turn                 | Ezekiel 33:10-11      |
| 5. Blessed, to bless others             | Genesis 12:1-4a       |
| 6. Help from the LORD                   | Psalms 121            |
| 7. Through faithful righteousness       | Romans 4:1-5, 13-17   |